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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

KELVIN J. EVANS,

Petitioner,

No. CIV S-04-2051 LKK KJM P

VS.

TOM L. CAREY, et al.,

Respondents.

ORDER

Petitioner, a state prisoner proceeding pro se, has filed an application for a writ of habeas corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254. Petitioner has paid the filing fee.

Because petitioner may be entitled to the requested relief if the claimed violation of constitutional rights is proved, respondents will be directed to file a response to petitioner's application.

In light of the complexity of the legal issues involved, the court has determined that the interests of justice require appointment of counsel. <u>See</u> 18 U.S.C. § 3006A(a)(2)(B); <u>see</u> also Weygandt v. Look, 718 F.2d 952, 954 (9th Cir. 1983).

In accordance with the above, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

1. Respondents are directed to file a response to petitioner's application within sixty days from the date of this order. See Rule 4, Fed. R. Governing § 2254 Cases. An answer

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shall be accompanied by any and all transcripts or other documents relevant to the determination of the issues presented in the application. See Rule 5, Fed. R. Governing § 2254 Cases.

- 2. Petitioner's traverse, if any, shall be filed and served within thirty days of service of an answer.
- 3. If the response to petitioner's application is a motion, petitioner's opposition or statement of non-opposition shall be filed and served within thirty days of service of the motion, and respondents' reply, if any, shall be filed within fifteen days thereafter.
- 4. The Clerk of the Court shall serve a copy of this order together with a copy of petitioner's application for a writ of habeas corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254 on Jo Graves, Senior Assistant Attorney General.
 - 5. The Federal Defender is appointed to represent petitioner.
- 6. The Clerk of the Court is directed to serve a copy of petitioner's habeas corpus application and a copy of this order on David Porter, Assistant Federal Defender.
- 7. Petitioner's counsel shall contact the Clerk's Office to make arrangements for copies of other documents in the file.

DATED: May 4, 2005.

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